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SUBJECT: ANZUS MEETING MEDIA COMMENT

1. ANZUS COUNCIL MEETING CONCLUSION OCCASIONED COMMENT ONLY IN CHRISTCHURCH PRESS, AUGUST 1. UNDER HEADI "THE EMPHASIS IN ANZUS," IT SAID EDITORIALY, AFTER QUOTING DEPUTY SECRETARY CHRISTOPHER'S COMMENT, "WE ARE NO LONGER OBSESSED BY THE PROBLEMS OF COMMUNISM VERSUS THE FREE WORLD," "THESE WORDS GAVE AS GOOD A CLUE AS ANY TO THE FLAVOUR OF THE TWO DAY MEETING."

2. "ANZUS IS PRIMARILY A SECURITY TREATY, BUT NOTHING THAT COULD BE INTERPRETED AS EVEN A DIRE WARNING, LET ALONE BELLIGERENCE, EMERGED FROM THE MEETING. SECURITY AND STABILITY WERE CERTAINLY MENTIONED IN THE COMMUNIQUE, BUT THE EMPHASIS LAY ELSEWHERE.

3. "IT IS PROBABLY TRUE THAT THE GREATEST THREATS TO MANKIND LIE IN THE PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS, THE SIMMERING PROBLEMS OF THE POORER NATIONS, AND IN ARMS, BUT IT IS REFRESHING TO HAVE THE LEADERS OF A SECURITY PACT SEE THE PROBLEM IN THESE TERMS.

4. " ARRANGEMENTS FOR AID TO SOME PACIFIC
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COUNTRIES WERE MADE AT THE 1976 ANZUS COUNCIL IN CANBERRA, BUT THE 1977 MEETING HAD BROADER VISION STILL. EVEN IF THE TREND WAS ALREADY THERE, THE AMERICAN ADMINISTRATION UNDER PRESIDENT CARTER HAS ACCELERATED IT.

5. "ONE OF THE MOST SIGNIFICANT ASPECTS OF THE COMMUNIQUE AS FAR AS NEW ZEALAND IS CONCERNED IS THE WEIGHT GIVEN TO

THE PROBLEM OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE. THE HEALTH OF THE
ECONOMIES OF THE THREE PARTNERS WAS HELD TO BE OF CONCERN
TO EACH. EVEN IF IT IS A LITTLE MORE THAN AN IMPRESSION
OF GOODWILL, AND RATHER AN UNDERTAKING ABOUT MARKETS,
THE REFERENCE IN THE COMMUNIQUE STILL HAS SIGNIFICANCE.
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